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**UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**  
**REGION 10**  
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Reply To  
Attn Of: ECL-113

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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Colbert Landfill Claim Review

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EPA Region 10 has reviewed the "Claim for CERCLA Response Action," dated March 19, 1997, submitted by Spokane County (County) for the Colbert Landfill Superfund Site ("Site"). This claim is for reimbursement of County's expenditures for CERCLA response actions at the Colbert Landfill Site under the terms of the Preauthorization Decision Document (PDD) and Consent Decree (C-89-033=RJM). Our review supports the County's claim for reimbursement.

Spokane County has implemented the remedial actions for which it is seeking reimbursement in accordance with the ROD and Consent Decree for this Site. This work has been completed and accepted by EPA and the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology). No notices of non-compliance have been issued to the County at this Site.

Our review of the work performed by the County and identified in the Claim, indicates that such work was necessary and appropriate to implement the ROD and Consent Decree. The costs appear to be reasonable for the type of work performed. All of the major work elements were contracted by the County through an open bidding process. The costs submitted on the Claim were all related to this site specific project.

The County has submitted the Claim for the maximum amount allowable under the PDD, \$1,400,000.00. Based on our technical review of the work performed, Spokane County has completed the required work and is entitled to reimbursement of the requested amount. Contact either of us if you have any questions.

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